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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EEWT, BU, US  
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SOFIA BUSEC MEETING

1. BULGARIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHAIRMAN PENKO PENKOV  
TOLD AMBASSADOR DURING JAN 26 INTRODUCTORY CALL (SEPAIR)  
THAT BULGARIAN SIDE OF BULGARIAN-US ECONOMIC COUNCIL  
(BUSEC) WAS PLANNING BUSEC MEETING IN SOFIA IN MID MARCH.

2. HOWEVER, DURING SUBSEQUENT MEETING BETWEEN E/C OFFICER  
AND ASPARUKH MLADENOV, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE AND A VICE CHAIRMAN OF LAST YEAR'S BULGARIAN  
BUSEC DELEGATION, MADENOV APPEARED UNCERTAIN  
REGARDING ANY SUCH COUNCIL MEETING. AS FAR AS HE  
COULD DETERMINE, NO SUCH MEETING WAS ON THE CHAMBER'S  
SCHEDULE. HE DID, HOWEVER, SAY THAT MATTER HAD BEEN DIS-  
CUSSED WITH NEW BULGARIAN ECONOMIC COUNSELOR GOSPODINOV  
WHO WAS TO HAVE RAISED MATTER IN WASHINGTON. HENCE,  
MLADENOV MAINTAINED THAT THE CHAMBER WAS AWAITING WORD  
FROM THE US SIDE, SPECIFICALLY FROM US CHAIRMAN WILLIAM  
MAY. EMBOFF REMINDED MLADENOV THAT GOB WAS SUPPOSED TO  
BE HOST FOR MEETING AND SHOULD ISSUE FORMAL NOTIFICATION  
OF ITS INTENT TO HOLD MEETING. MLADENOV AGREED THAT TIME  
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WAS SHORT FOR MARCH DATE AND SUGGESTED THAT APRIL MIGHT  
BE BETTER TIME. HE DEFINITELY RULED OUT MAY DATE.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT DEPT CONTACT APPROPRIATE BUSEC  
OFFICIALS IN US TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE AWARE OF ANY  
BULGARIAN PLANS REGARDING BUSEC MEETING.

4. IT MAY BE THAT MATTER IS PREMATURE AND WAS RAISED  
BEFORE BEING FULLY STAFFED-OUT WITHIN CHAMBER.  
IN ANY EVENT, EMB REQUESTS NOTIFICATION ASAP OF ANY INFORMATION  
WASHINGTON HAS ABOUT THE MEETING.  
GARTHOFF

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